

CIVIL COVER SHEET

County in which action arose: _____

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

HASSAN AOUN

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff

WAYNE

(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

EDWARD L. ERALL JR

48660 PONTIAC TRAIL #980792

WILKINSON, MI 48862

(313) 510-3329

DEFENDANTS

GEORGE BARAK, CATHY BARAK
AND JOCELYN BENSON, IN OFFICIAL CAPACITY

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant

WAYNE

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff☒ Federal Question

(U.S. Government Not a Party)

☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant☐ 4 Diversity

(Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

(For Diversity Cases Only)

Citizen of This State

PTF

DEF

☒ 1

Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State

PTF

DEF

☐ 4☐ 4

Citizen of Another State

☐ 2☐ 2

Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State

☐ 5☐ 5

Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country

☐ 3☐ 3

Foreign Nation

☐ 6☐ 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES	
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 835 Patent - Abbreviated New Drug Application <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark <input type="checkbox"/> 880 Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit (15 USC 1681 or 1692) <input type="checkbox"/> 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
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V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

☒ 1 Original Proceeding☐ 2 Removed from State Court☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened☐ 5 Transferred from Another District (specify)☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer☐ 8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):

28 USC 1983

Brief description of cause:

DENIAL OF RIGHT TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND:

☐ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

4/25/25

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

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RECEIPT #

AMOUNT

APPLYING IFP

JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE

PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 83.11

1. Is this a case that has been previously dismissed?

☐ Yes
☒ No

If yes, give the following information:

Court: _____

Case No.: _____

Judge: _____

2. Other than stated above, are there any pending or previously discontinued or dismissed companion cases in this or any other court, including state court? (Companion cases are matters in which it appears substantially similar evidence will be offered or the same or related parties are present and the cases arise out of the same transaction or occurrence.)

☒ Yes
☐ No

If yes, give the following information:

Court: WAYNE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Case No.: 25-000218 C2

Judge: JUDGE PATRICIA FREAR

Notes : STATE LAW ISSUES IN STATE COURT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

Hassan, Aoun,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No 2025

Hon.

George Darnay as clerk of the city of Dearborn;
Cathy M. Garrett, clerk for the county of Wayne;
Jocelyn Benson, secretary of state for the state of
Michigan,

Defendants.

Edward L. Ewald, Jr. (P43751) Attorney for Plaintiff 48660 Pontiac Trail, #930792 Wixom, MI 48393 (313) 510-3329/Fax (248) 856-2247 edwardewald@comcast.net	
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VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY, AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

Now Comes Plaintiff, Hassoun Aoun (“Plaintiff”), by and through his counsel, Edward L. Ewald, Jr. and complains to this Honorable Court and against Defendants, George Darnay, as clerk of the city of Dearborn (“Defendant Darnay”), Cathy M. Garrett, as clerk for the county of Wayne (“Defendant Garrett”), and Jocelyn Benson, as secretary of state for the state of Michigan (“Defendant Benson”)(collectively referred to as the “Defendants”), for the following reasons:

Jurisdictional Allegations

1. Plaintiff is a resident of the city of Dearborn, county of Wayne, state of Michigan.
2. Defendant Darnay is the clerk of the city of Dearborn located in the county of Wayne, state of Michigan.

3. Defendant Garrett is the clerk for the county of Wayne located in the city of Detroit, state of Michigan, and is responsible for supervising and managing all public elections in the county of Wayne.
4. Defendant Benson is secretary of state for the state of Michigan and is responsible for supervising and managing all public elections in the state of Michigan.
5. The subject matter jurisdiction is proper in this Court as the issues involved concern federal questions, 28 U.S.C.1331.
6. Venue is property pursuant to 28 U.S.C 1391.
7. This case arises from Plaintiff's interest in being placed on the election ballot in the city of Dearborn to be considered for the position of mayor.
8. It concerns the denial of Plaintiff's application based on a decades old felony that violates 4th and 14th Amendments to the United States Constitution and 28 U.S.C. 1983.
9. The Unites States Constitution does not prohibit a citizen from applying for an elected public position within the United States.

Factual Allegations

10. The plaintiff has applied with the city of Dearborn to run for the office of mayor during the 2025 election term. (See Exhibit "A").
11. There is no mention in the application regarding any prohibition for a felony.
12. The plaintiff obtained all the necessary paperwork to properly apply for the elected position. (See Exhibit "B").
13. Plaintiff's application and affidavit of identity were submitted to Defendant Garrett as county clerk.
14. Plaintiff obtained the necessary signatures to be on the ballot for the 2025 election.

15. Under Michigan law, a person is only ineligible for elected public office if the candidate was convicted of a felony in the last 20 years while in public office involving “dishonesty, deceit, fraud or breach of the public trust.” Michigan Constitution, Article XI, sec. 8 (See Exhibit “C”).
16. Michigan law further provides that no city charter shall “conflict with or contravene the provisions of any general law of the state.” MCL 117.36 (See Exhibit “D”).
17. Plaintiff’s application was accepted by Defendant Darnay.
18. Subsequently, Plaintiff was informed by that his application is being rejected because he was a convicted felon (See Exhibit “E”).
19. Section 6.2 of the city of Dearborn Ordinances on elections prohibits any resident of the city from running for elected position that has been convicted of a felony (See Exhibit “F”).
20. There is no limitation on felony conviction.
21. The United States Constitution does not prohibit any citizen from running for office because of a felony.
22. The state of Michigan Constitution limits the prohibition to individuals who were convicted while in office and that it occurred less than 20 years ago.
23. The city of Dearborn ordinance is in violation of the federal Constitution and the Michigan Constitution.
24. Plaintiff filed this matter in the Wayne County Circuit Court alleging a violation of the Michigan Constitution.
25. The Trial Court denied Plaintiff’s motion for preliminary injunction relying on the Home Rule City Act, MCL 117.3 citing the last sentence of Article XI, sec. 8 of the Michigan

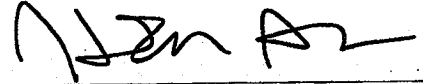
Constitution that states in part: “This requirement is in addition to any other qualification required...”

26. This provision is in conflict and denies a rightful candidate is ability to run for the mayor of Dearborn.

Count I Violation of 28 U.S.C. 1983

27. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraph nos. 1 through 27 as if fully stated herein.
28. Plaintiff is a citizen of the city of Dearborn, county of Wayne, state of Michigan, USA
29. Plaintiff as a citizen as the ability to run for public elected office.
30. In this case, Plaintiff has the right to run for mayor of the city of Dearborn.
31. The United States Constitution and Michigan Constitution provide Plaintiff with the right to run for mayor.
32. Defendant Darnay has constructed an illegal and improper barrier to this right to run for mayor.
33. The ordinance enacted by the city of Dearborn is in violation of the United States Constitution and that of the Michigan Constitution.
34. Plaintiff’s civil rights have been gravely interfered with and have caused his damage and injury.
35. Plaintiff’s damages include but are not limited to his inability to run for office, humiliation and embarrassment with the Dearborn community.

Subject to perjury, I have read the complaint and believe the facts are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.



Hassan Aoun

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Honorable Court enter an opinion finding that Defendant Darnay has violated the United States Constitution by denying him the rightful opportunity to run for mayor of Dearborn and other relief as the Court may deem to be fair and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Edward L. Ewald, Jr.

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Candidate Package

George T. Darany, City Clerk

**City of Dearborn, 16901 Michigan Ave. Ste. 11, Dearborn, MI 48126
313-943-2010**

Information Letter

Dear Candidate:

This package contains information and requirements for candidates running for Mayor, City Clerk or City Councilmember for the City of Dearborn during the 2025 election cycle. Please find enclosed within this packet the following items:

- Information Letter (pages 1-2)
- Election Calendar with Deadlines (page 3)
- Affidavit of Compliance with the State of Michigan Constitution (page 4)
- Affidavit of Identity and Receipt of Filing form (pages 5-6)
- Blank Candidate Petitions
- Dearborn Precinct Map
- Flash Drive of Registered Voters (If requested, fee applies)

Candidates must submit nominating petitions having not less than **100** valid signatures, and not more than **200** valid signatures. For those submitting petitions, please read the instructions in this packet. All petitions used by candidates must be in the form required by Michigan election law. Non-conforming petitions and incomplete petitions will be rejected.

Candidates must submit a completed and notarized Affidavit of Identity. Our office can notarize the document. The Affidavit of Identity must include a declaration of the office/position sought.

Filing Deadline: Candidate Nominating Petitions, Affidavit of Identity, and Affidavit of Compliance with the State of Michigan Constitution must be hand-delivered/submitted to the Dearborn City Clerk's Office on or before **4:00 PM, TUESDAY, April 22, 2025** (MCL:168.644f). Items submitted after that date/time will be rejected.

Deadline to Withdraw: 4:00 PM, FRIDAY, April 25, 2025 (must withdraw in writing) (MCL:168.322a).

Deadline for WRITE-IN CANDIDATES to file Declaration of Intent:

For the August Primary Election: **4:00 PM, FRIDAY, July 25, 2025** (MCL:168.737a)

For the November General Election: **4:00 PM, FRIDAY, October 24, 2025** (MCL:168.737a)

The terms of office: All City of Dearborn terms are four-years.

Candidates are required to possess a campaign committee. Candidates must meet disclosure obligations provided under the Michigan's Campaign Finance Act. Candidate Campaign committees are required to submit campaign finance reports. Organization of Candidate Committees and Candidate Committee Campaign Finance filings for City of Dearborn officeholders are administered by the office of the Wayne County Clerk. Go to this website <https://www.wccampaignfinance.com> and the Wayne County pages in this packet for more information.



Candidate Package

George T. Darany, City Clerk

**City of Dearborn, 16901 Michigan Ave. Ste. 11, Dearborn, MI 48126
313-943-2010**

Within 4-5 weeks following the filing deadline, the Dearborn Clerk's office will mail a copy of a Proof Ballot with an example of how your name will appear on the ballot.

When ballots are printed, candidate names on the ballot will rotate in alphabetical order beginning with Precinct #1 with the first candidate being at the top of the list. Precinct #2 will have the next candidate at the top of the list, and so on.

Michigan election law stipulates no person is permitted to solicit votes or engage in any type of campaigning within 100 feet of any doorway used by voters to enter the building in which a polling place is located. (MCL:168.744) If you are a candidate and not a voter at a particular precinct, you **may not** enter the precinct to "visit" with election workers. Likewise, if you voted absentee, you **may not** enter any polling location, as it can be perceived as "campaigning."

If you are a candidate and will vote on Election Day at your home precinct polling location, you may only enter the precinct for the sole purpose of voting and may stay inside the precinct for only the time in which it takes you to vote. The Michigan Elections Bureau can be reached at 517-373-2540 for more information.

If our office can assist you in any way, please let us know. We are here to help. We wish you well during the election season!

Yours for Dearborn,

George T. Darany
Dearborn City Clerk



Candidate Package

George T. Darany, City Clerk
City of Dearborn, 16901 Michigan Ave. Ste. 11, Dearborn, MI 48126
313-943-2010

Election Calendar with Deadlines

Primary Election

TUESDAY, August 5, 2025

Deadline for Voter Registration – TUESDAY, August 5, 2025

Absentee Ballots are available at the Dearborn Administrative Center: **THURSDAY, June 26, 2025**

Last day an AV ballot can be mailed to voter: **FRIDAY, August 1, 2025**

Last day an AV ballot can be issued to voter: **MONDAY, August 4, 2025** (before 4:00pm)

General Election

TUESDAY, November 4, 2025

Deadline for Voter Registration – TUESDAY, November 4, 2025

Absentee Ballots are available at the Dearborn Administrative Center: **THURSDAY, September 25, 2025**

Last day an AV ballot can be mailed to voter: **FRIDAY, October 31, 2025**

Last day an AV ballot can be issued to voter: **MONDAY, November 3, 2025** (before 4:00pm)

Filing Information:

Candidates must submit:

- An Affidavit of Identity
- Nominating petition (minimum of **100** valid signatures; no more than **200** signatures can be filed to cover the minimum signature requirement.)
- Deadline For Petitions: 4:00 PM on **Tuesday, April 22, 2025** (MCL:168.644f)
- Deadline to Withdraw: 4:00 PM on **Friday, April 25, 2025** (must withdraw in writing) (MCL:168.322a)
- Deadline for WRITE-IN CANDIDATES to file Declaration of Intent: 4:00 PM on **Friday, July 25, 2025** (for the August Primary Election) & 4:00 PM on **Friday, October 24, 2025** (for the November General Election.) (MCL:168.737a)



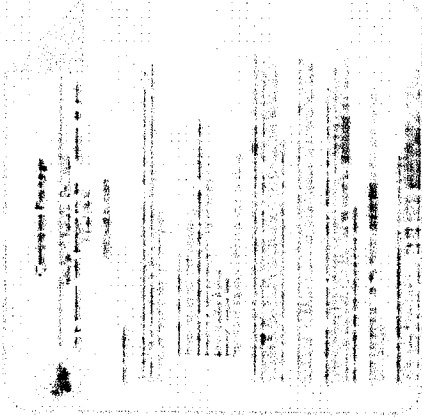
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Candidate Package

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Running for Office in Dearborn

Running for Mayor, City Clerk, or City Council. The City of Dearborn is governed by a Mayor and seven-member City Council, all elected by the residents of ...

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Subject Re: Affidavit of identity
From George Darany <gdarany@dearborn.gov>
To: Hassan Aoun <aoun1980@aol.com>, Lizbinski,
Megan <mlizbinski@dearborn.gov>
Cc: Bianca Molinari <bmolinari@dearborn.gov>
Date Nov 22, 2024 at 1:40 PM

Mr. Aoun,

We are in receipt of your USPS package that includes your updated Affidavit of Identity form. We have forwarded the form to Wayne County for their review. We will let you know if there are any issues.

Thank you for your prompt response to our request.

Thank you.

George

George T. Darany, CMC, MiPCA

Dearborn City Clerk

16901 Michigan Avenue, Suite 11

Dearborn, Michigan 48126

313 943-2021

"Proud to be Serving My Home Town"

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Subject Re: Regarding verification of signatures
From George Darany <gdarany@dearborn.gov>
To: Hassan Aoun <aoun1980@aol.com>
Date Dec 6, 2024 at 12:26 PM

Mr. Aoun,

This letter is to confirm that you have submitted the required number of valid signatures (at least 100) to satisfy one of the qualifications to be considered a candidate for Mayor of the City of Dearborn in the Primary Election on August 5, 2025. The Wayne County Clerk's Office will determine if you have met all the qualifications and can confirm if you officially are a candidate for Mayor of Dearborn.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best of luck to you!

George

George T. Darany, CMC, MiPCA

Dearborn City Clerk

16901 Michigan Avenue, Suite 11

Dearborn, Michigan 48126

313 943-2021

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Affidavit of Compliance with the State Constitution

The electorate of the State of Michigan amended the State Constitution in November 2010. That constitutional amendment makes a person ineligible for election or appointment to any state or local elective office or to hold a position in public employment in this state that is policy-making or has discretionary authority over public assets if:

A person is ineligible for election or appointment to any state or local elective office of this state and ineligible to hold a position in public employment in this state that is policy-making or that has discretionary authority over public assets if, within the immediately preceding 20 years, the person was convicted of a felony involving dishonesty, deceit, fraud, or a breach of the public trust and the conviction was related to the person's official capacity while the person was holding any elective office or position of employment in local, state, or federal government. This requirement is in addition to any other qualification required under this constitution or by law. The legislature shall prescribe by law for the implementation of this section.

I understand if the conviction was related to the person's official capacity, while holding office, preceding 20 years, and if the person was convicted of a felony involving dishonesty, deceit, fraud, while the person was holding any elective office, or position of employment in local, state, or federal government that will result in my immediate removal from office.

Hassan Aoun

Signature

HASSAN AOUN

Printed Name

Notary Certification

HASSAN AOUN, did appear before me this 11

day of NOV, 2024 and placed his/her signature on this document.

[Signature]

Signature of Notary

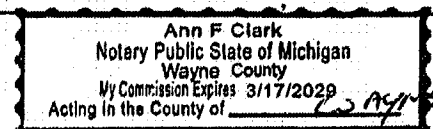
ANN F CLARK

(seal)

Printed Name of Notary

Acting in Wayne County, Michigan

My commission expires on the _____ day of _____





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Reporting Year	Reporting Period	Report Name	Committee Type
2025	--Select Reporting Period--	--Select Report Name--	--Select Committee Type--
Committee ID	Committee Name	Filed Date Range	
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Office Type	Office	District / Jurisdiction	
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	Reporting Period Name	Filed Report Name	Committee Type	Filed/Amended Date	Committee ID	Committee Name	Election Year	Office (District / Jurisdiction)	Reporting Year
+	07/20/2025 Pre Primary	Affidavit of Identity	Candidate Committee	11/27/2024	82-158449	HASSAN AOUN FOR MAYOR	2025	City Mayor (Dearborn)	2025
+	07/20/2025 Pre Primary	Correspondence - In	Candidate Committee	12/26/2024	82-158449	HASSAN AOUN FOR MAYOR	2025	City Mayor (Dearborn)	2025

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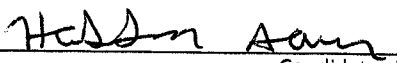



Affidavit of Identity and Receipt of Filing**CLEAR FORM**

All information must be completed unless otherwise noted. Missing or incorrect information may result in disqualification. Judicial candidates should use a combined judicial affidavit of identity/qualification form rather than this form.

SECTION 1	Candidate information	First name Hassan		Middle name	Last name Aoun		
		Year of birth 1980	<input type="checkbox"/> My name has formally changed in the last 10 years for a reason other than marriage or divorce. My former name is: _____				
		Residential address 7047 Hartwell St			City Dearborn	ZIP 48126	
		Mailing address, if different than above			City	ZIP	
		Phone number 3136776767		Email aoun1980@aol.com		Campaign website, if applicable	

SECTION 2	Office & ballot information	Office name Hassan Aoun For Mayor		Jurisdiction Dearborn	District/Ward	
		Select one <input type="checkbox"/> I am running for a partisan office, and my political party is: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I am running for a nonpartisan office without party affiliation (<i>judicial office: see note above</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> I am running for a partisan office without party affiliation.				
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary election 08/05/2025 <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General election 11/04/2025 <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		
		Term of office (select one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular term <input type="checkbox"/> Partial term expiring: _____ <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small> <input type="checkbox"/> Recall				
		Indicate exactly how you want your name to be printed on the ballot (use upper and lowercase letters): Hassan Aoun				

SECTION 3	Certification & acknowledgment	<input type="checkbox"/> I previously ran in Michigan for office that required filing reports under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. I ran in the following counties: _____				
		By signing, I certify that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At this date, all statements, reports, late filing fees, and fines required of me or any candidate committee organized to support my election under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act have been filed or paid; and I am a United States citizen and meet the statutory and constitutional requirements for the office sought; and I acknowledge that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury - a felony punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for up to five years or both and may result in disqualification from the ballot. 				
		 Candidate signature				11/11/2024 Date
		Notary signature  County of commission <u>WAYNE</u>		Notary name <u>ADD F CLARK</u> Acting in the County of <u>WAYNE</u>		
		My commission expires <u>3/17/2029</u> <small>DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		Date of notarization <u>11/11/2024</u> <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		

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	Number of petition sheets		Campaign Finance Number		

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MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

MCL Complete Through PA 149 of 2024

Senate adjourned until 11/12/24 10:00 AM

House adjourned until 11/12/24 1:30 PM



MCL - Article XI § 8

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Chapter 1

CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN OF 1963

Constitution-XI

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STATE CONSTITUTION (EXCERPT) CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN OF 1963

§ 8 Convictions for certain felonies; eligibility for elective office or certain positions of public employment.

Sec. 8.

A person is ineligible for election or appointment to any state or local elective office of this state and ineligible to hold a position in public employment in this state that is policy-making or that has discretionary authority over public assets if, within the immediately preceding 20 years, the person was convicted of a felony involving dishonesty, deceit, fraud, or a breach of the public trust and the conviction was related to the person's official capacity while the person was holding any elective office or position of employment in local, state, or federal government. This requirement is in addition to any other qualification required under this constitution or by law.

The legislature shall prescribe by law for the implementation of this section.

History: Add. S.J.R. V. approved Nov. 2, 2010, Eff. Dec. 18, 2010



Senate Fiscal Agency

NOVEMBER 2010 BALLOT PROPOSAL 10-2

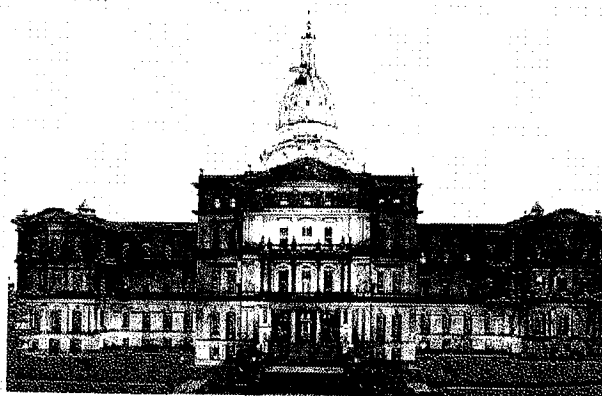
An Overview

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On November 2, 2010, Michigan voters will decide whether to adopt an amendment to the State Constitution to restrict a person's eligibility for elective office and for certain governmental employment. Proposal 10-2 is the result of Senate Joint Resolution V, which passed the Michigan Senate and House of Representatives with more than a two-thirds vote in each chamber. Proposal 10-2 will appear on the ballot as follows:

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN FELONS FROM HOLDING ELECTIVE OFFICE AND SPECIFIED TYPES OF PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

Make a person ineligible for election or appointment to any state or local elective office or to hold a position in public employment in this state that is policy-making or has discretionary authority over public assets, if:

- within the preceding 20 years, the person was convicted of a felony involving dishonesty, deceit, fraud, or a breach of the public trust; and*
- the conviction was related to the person's official capacity while holding any elective office or position of employment in local, state, or federal government.*

Require the State Legislature to enact laws to implement the prohibition.

Should this proposal be adopted?

If a majority of the electors vote "yes", Proposal 10-2 will be adopted as Article XI, Section 8 of the State Constitution.

If approved, the provisions of the constitutional amendment will be in addition to any other qualification for elective office or public employment required under the Constitution or by statute. Currently, Article IV, Section 7 of the State Constitution provides that a person who has been convicted of subversion or who, within the preceding 20 years, has been convicted of a felony involving a breach of the public trust, is ineligible for a position as State Senator or Representative.

Proponents of Proposal 10-2 suggest that, given recent developments in the City of Detroit, where locally elected and appointed officials have been convicted of felonies related to their conduct in office, the current constitutional restriction is too limited because it applies only to holding State legislative office and does not clarify what constitutes a breach of the public trust. Others contend, however, that the proposed constitutional amendment does not go far enough to root out governmental and political corruption, and that *all* felons should be prohibited from holding office or a position involving policy-making or discretionary authority over public assets.

Opponents of the measure suggest that the proposed restrictions are unnecessary because an astute electorate can decide for itself whether someone should be entrusted with holding public office or other governmental positions. They contend that the State Constitution should not bar someone whom the voters may want to elect.

If the voters approve Proposal 10-2, it will apply to elective office, as well as governmental employment that involves policy-making or discretionary authority over public assets, at all levels of State and local government, including universities, courts, counties, cities, villages,

townships, and school districts. The proposed amendment does not specify, however, the positions that will be affected or the felonies that will disqualify someone from holding office or public employment, but it does direct the Legislature to enact laws to implement the prohibition.

Implementing legislation could address such issues as what constitutes policy-making, which positions involve discretionary authority over public assets, which felonies represent a breach of the public trust, and how to determine whether a prior conviction was related to a person's official capacity in office. Legislation also could create a process for disqualifying candidates for election or applicants for public employment, and procedures to settle disputes. The extent of implementing legislation is within the purview of the Legislature, however, and issues that are not addressed in statute ultimately will be resolved by the courts.

If approved, Proposal 10-2 will take effect on December 18, 2010.

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Chapter 117

Act 279 of 1909

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THE HOME RULE CITY ACT (EXCERPT) Act 279 of 1909

117.36 Charter provisions; conflict.

Sec. 36.

No provision of any city charter shall conflict with or contravene the provisions of any general law of the state.

History: 1909, Act 279, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909 ;-- CL 1915, 3339 ;-- CL 1929, 2272 ;-- CL 1948, 117.36

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December 26, 2024

Hassan Nazih Aoun
7047 Hartwell St.
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Re: Eligibility for Elective Office

Dear Mr. Aoun:

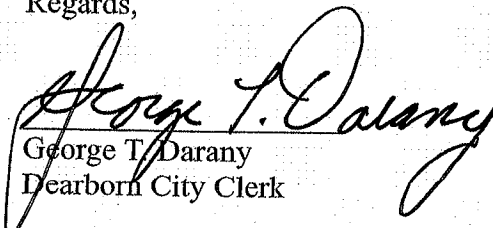
We are in receipt of the nominating petitions for the elective office of Mayor you submitted to the Clerk's Office on November 12, 2024. Section 6.2 of the Dearborn City Charter ("Charter") mandates that:

No person shall become a candidate or hold elective office under this charter unless that person is a resident for one year, has never been convicted of a felony and is a registered voter of the City.

According to the Michigan State Police Internet Criminal History Access Tool ("ICHAT"), as of December 18, 2024, your criminal history includes three felony convictions (10/28/2009; 6/06/2012; and 06/27/2012). Pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Charter you are, therefore, ineligible to be certified as a candidate for Dearborn Mayor. Any prior action taken by the Clerk's Office on your nominating petition is hereby rescinded.

If the information contained on the attached ICHAT report is inaccurate or false, please contact my office immediately with records demonstrating this discrepancy.

Regards,


George T. Darany
Dearborn City Clerk

cc: Cathy M. Garrett, Wayne County Clerk

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Section 6.2. - Qualifications of elective officers.

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